

Layers of Bible Truth

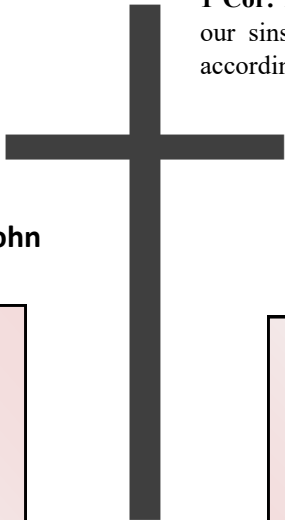
Bible Study Charts

The Redeemer Layer of Bible Truth

After the Cross

Luke 24:44-46: “And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. **Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,** And said unto them, Thus it is written, and **thus it behooved** (GK. die, was necessary for) Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day.”

1 Cor. 15: 3-4: “For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”



Before the Cross

Genesis thru Malachi

Salvation by
Faith in
Christ, the
Redeemer,
Yet to come

The promised Seed
of the woman will crush
the devil’s head (who
alienated mankind from
God) and will suffer
under Satan’s attack.
Genesis 3:15

“For I know that my
Redeemer liveth, and
that he shall stand at
the latter day upon the
earth: And though after
my skin worms destroy
this body, yet in my
flesh shall I see God.”
Job 19:25-26

Matt, Mark, Luke, John

Salvation by
Faith in
Christ, the
Redeemer,
having come

Power and Authority of
Christ, the Son of God, to
forgive sin and give eternal
life.

“But that ye may know that
the Son of man hath power
on earth to forgive sins,
(then saith he to the sick of
the palsy,) Arise, take up
thy bed, and go unto thine
house.” Matthew 9:6

“Verily, verily, I say unto
you, He that believeth on
me hath everlasting life.”
John 6:47

**BOOK of
ACTS**

Salvation
by Faith in
Christ, the
Redeemer,
alive from
the dead

Gospel of Christ
“to the Jew first
and also
to the Greek”
Romans 1:16

**Dispensation
of
Gentile Grace**

Salvation
by Faith in
Christ, the
Redeemer,
alive from
the dead

Gospel of Christ
“to all alike”

Gentiles no longer
secondary partakers,
behind the Jews, but
“joint-partakers
(summetocha) of God’s
promise in Christ by the
Gospel.”
Ephesians 3:6

**Tribulation
And Kingdom
Dispensation**

Salvation
by Faith in
Christ, the
Redeemer,
alive from
the dead

Jewish priority
Resumed

144,000 Jews,
“firstfruits unto God”
Rev. 7:4, 14:3-4

“Israel shall blossom and
bud, and fill the face of the
world with fruit.”
Isaiah 27:6

The Old and New Covenant Layer of Bible Truth

Two Major Covenants: Law and Grace

Old Covenant

By the Law, is the knowledge of sin. Romans 3:19-20

1. The Law was a schoolmaster demonstrating man's sinful condition through impossible demands:
 - ♦Hypothetical righteousness Deut. 6:24, Lev. 18:5
 - ♦Impossible challenge for fallen man James 2:10, Gal. 3:10-11
 - ♦Ceremonies and sacrifices constantly emphasizing God's holy character in contrast with human sinfulness. Lev. 6:25, 7:1, 10:10, 23:2, Numbers 4:15, 16:16-17
2. Taught by the schoolmaster, honest people gave up on justification by human works and trusted instead in God's promise of the coming Redeemer:

Compare Gen 3:15 and Job 19:25; then see Deut. 18:15, Dan. 9:24-26, Isa. 7:14, 9:6, 28:16, 53:1-13, Acts 8:32-35, Zech. 9:9, Luke 2:26, 3:15, 24:21, 25, 44-46, John 1:41, 4:25, 5:39, Acts 10:43.
3. No one under the Law was ever justified by keeping the Law. Rather, justification was always by faith—never by human deeds. See Habakkuk 2:4, Luke 18:9-14, Psalm 32:1-2. See also Romans 9:31-32 and Paul's declaration in Gal. 3:10-11.
4. Believers sought to obey the Law, desiring to please God but this is not how anyone was saved.
5. Curses of the Law were a constant threat to the national well-being of Israel. Deut. 28:15

New Covenant

“For the Law was given by Moses, but Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.” John 1:17

1. Under God's Grace Covenant, Christ's blood declares the righteousness of God. Romans 3:25-26
2. Under God's Grace Covenant, the Law is made “Old” Heb. 8:13, and believers are not under the Law but under Grace. Rom. 6:14
3. Under God's Grace Covenant, animal offerings for sin have ended. Heb. 10:14-18
4. Under God's Grace Covenant, individuals are saved the same way as under the Old Covenant—by faith in God's promised Redeemer. However, now:
 - ♦ the Redeemer's name is known (Jesus),
 - ♦ the Redeemer's death, burial, and resurrection in payment for sin have been accomplished.
5. Under God's New Covenant of Grace, the Holy Spirit of God indwells all believers and writes God's holy standards on their hearts. II Cor. 3:1-3, 6-8; Hebrews 10:16, Romans 8:9, Galatians 4:5-6, 5:16.
6. Under God's New Covenant of Grace, all Israel will one day be saved. This will occur when this covenant, as promised by God, will finally be made with them. Romans 11:26-27

The Kingdom Layer of Bible Truth

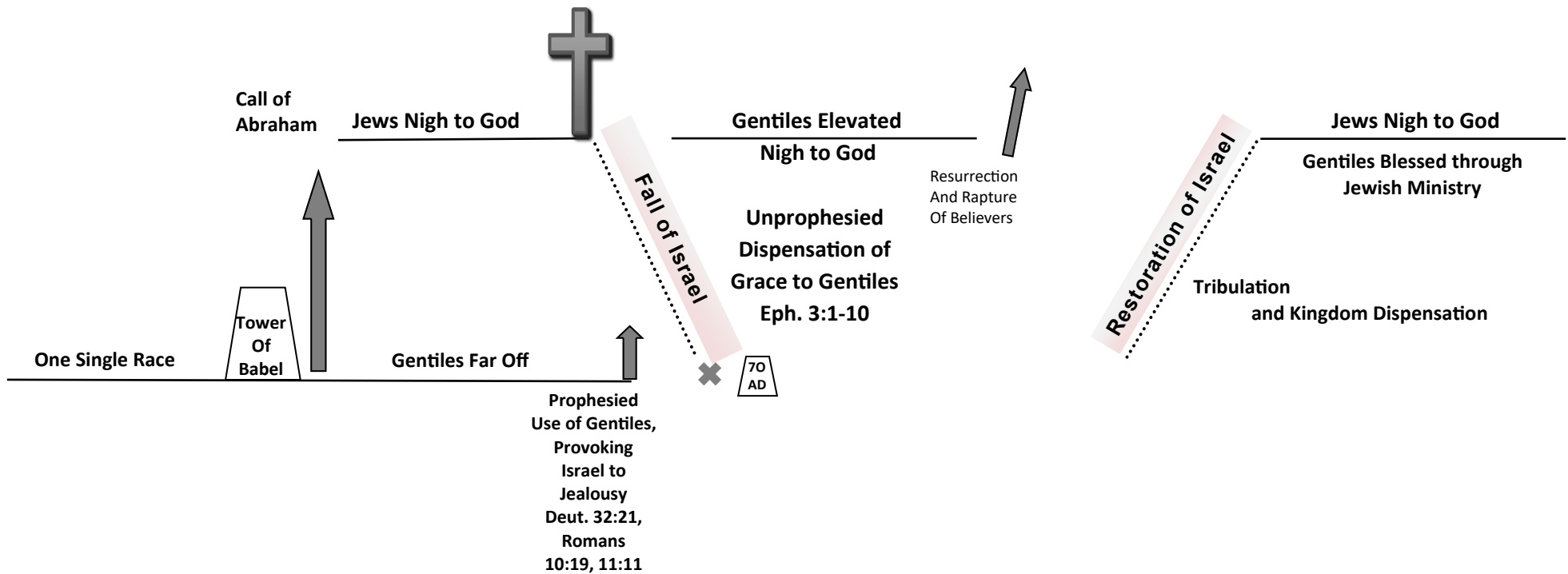
Israel's Kingdom Postponed



Seven Major Changes After Israel's Kingdom was Postponed:

1. Israel's kingdom no longer "at hand"
2. The revelation of a new dispensation from God (Eph. 3:1-10)
3. Kingdom signs and wonders withdrawn (God's written Word now completed (1 Cor. 13:8-10, Col. 1:25))
4. Gentiles no longer secondary partakers but joint-partakers of the gospel (Eph. 3:6)
5. Christ's Body the Church now set forth as the joint-body it is (Gentile members fully equal - Eph. 3:6, *sus-soma*)
6. "Seated together in heavenly places" now made known (Eph. 2:6, Col. 3:1-3)
7. Israel's temple in Jerusalem destroyed in 70 A.D.

The Ethnic Layer of Bible Truth



The “Ages” Layer of Bible Truth

The six days Of creation

“ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day:

Exodus 20:11

The Former Age from the fall to the flood

“The world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished.”
2nd Peter 3:6

The Present Age Extending from the flood To the second coming of Christ

What shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world [Gk: *aion*, age?] Matt. 24:3

“So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.” Matt 24:33

But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark.

And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Matt. 24:37-39

In whom the god of this world [age] hath blinded the minds of them which believe not. 2nd Cor. 4:4

Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience. Eph. 2:2

Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from [Gk: *ek*, out of] this present evil world [aion. Age], according to the will of God and our Father. Ga. 1:4

Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world [aion. age]. Titus 2:12

The Age to Come the millennial age, extending from the second coming to the new heaven and earth

“And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world (age) to come”
Heb. 6:5

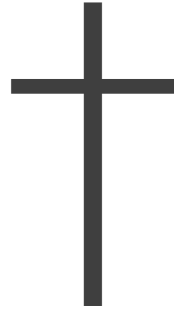
And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him; but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world (age) neither in the world (age) to come. Matt. 12:32

The Ages of Eternity, never ending ages of forever

That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.
Ephesians 2:7

Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.
Ephesians 3:21

The Unconditional Covenants



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The New Covenant - Redemption for Israel and for the world through the blood of Christ, Who “tasted death for every man” Hebrews 2:9, 8:6-13, 1 Corinthians 11:25, Matthew 26:28

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The Davidic Covenant - a throne over Israel will always belong to a descendant of David. 1st Chronicles 17:11-15, Psalm 89:3,4, 28, 29

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The Abrahamic Covenant - the blessing that God provides for all nations will come through a descendant of Abraham. A land is promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Genesis 12:1-3, 7

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The Noahic Covenant - never again will all the earth be destroyed by the waters of a flood, a rainbow in the sky testifies of this covenant. Genesis 9:12-15

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The Redeemer Covenant - A Redeemer promised by God, the Seed of the woman, will crush the devil’s head and will suffer under Satan’s attack. Results from Adam’s fall will continue until redemption is complete. Genesis 3:15-19